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## New Year's Resolution

### MASSIVE TUITION FEE INCREASE ON THE WAY

by James Weaver

With a startling resolution, the Ontario government chose New Year's Eve to announce that university tuition fees in the province will be going up by as much as 18.2% next year.

There will be an across the province increase of 7.5%; each institution will also have the option of raising its tuition fees a further 10% above the new figure, hence a potential increase of 18.2%. This means that the full-time Laurentian student, currently paying fees, of \$725 (excluding student association and other incidental fees), will be paying at least \$779 next year (an increase of \$54), while the top end fee could be \$857 (an increase of \$132).

At the same time, the government announced that it

will be increasing its operating grants to universities by 7.2%.

In conjunction with the tuition and funding announcement, the government also discussed that it will increase its Student Aid budget by \$3.3 million, an increase of 4%. That shortfall is compounded by the fact that Student Aid this year is already between 16% and 20% behind real costs, according to the province's student awards officers.

#### Unhealthy Competition

Chris McKillop, Chairperson of the Ontario Federation of Students told Lambda that the greatest danger presented by the announcement is the granting of autonomy for universities to set their own fee levels. Previously, the government prohibited universities from

competing for students either through direct recruitment tactics or through financial competition by setting higher or lower fees. Thus, the New Year's announcement represents a major change in educational policy, and, one, many feel has not been given much consideration.

McKillop said that fee autonomy has been something that Ontario's larger, more established universities have been pushing for over the past few years. The larger universities feel that they can attract students, regardless of their fee levels, because of the size and

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L.U. President Dr. Henry Best lives in interesting times. Tuition fees are going up [see left], the Engineering school is going down [see below], and the Vice-President is just plain gone [see page 3].

## Will You Get to Vote in the February Election?

by James Weaver

Many Laurentian students will have to move fast if they hope to vote in the upcoming federal election on February 18th. In order to vote, students must be on the final voters' list at the polling station where their ballots are to be cast.

Ordinarily, enumerations establishing the voters' lists take place prior to each general election. This time round, with the short lead time before the election, the voters' lists from the federal election last May will be used as the basic document.

The enumeration that took place at Laurentian the last time round was curious to say the least. Residents of University College, Married Students Residence, Single Students Residence and Thorneloe College were listed as eligible voters in the Nickel Belt riding where Laurentian is located. Residents of the University of Sudbury and Huntington College were not enumerated. Many students were included on the voters' list whether they were on campus at the time or not. Hence, it is safe to say that Laurentian students should check carefully to find if they are eligible to vote and where they should be voting.

To this end, the Chief

Returning Officer for the Riding of Nickel Belt will be on the Laurentian campus on January 17 in the Cloak Room across from the Great Hall. Hours of operation will be from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, from 1:00 p.m. to 4 p.m., and from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Students wishing to discover whether they are enumerated in Nickel Belt, or who wish to be enumerated here, can discuss these matters with the C.R.O. at the time. Information will also be available for those wishing to vote elsewhere in the country, and about electoral procedures in general.

#### You Can Vote at Home ...

People are normally required to vote in the riding where they maintain their "ordinary residence". If you were eligible to vote in the last election, a card will be sent to your ordinary residence sometime next week, indicating that you are enumerated and where your ballot should be cast.

For Laurentian students from out of town, this will probably mean that you have been enumerated in your home town. You should probably enquire as to whether the card has shown up there listing you as an eligible voter in that

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This article is an attempt to relate and sequence the events occurring in the School of Engineering at Laurentian since the inception of the third and fourth year curricula. It is my wish to convey, through this article, all of the events that have occurred, without judging or chastising any individual's actions. However, my own opinions and concerns will be expressed when contemplating the future of the Engineering School at Laurentian University.

With the inception of the third and fourth year programmes in 1977 and 1978 respectively, three professors, one associate professor, and several part-time lecturers were procured by the University. Some time during the 1977-78 winter session, a dispute between some of the new faculty members and some of the previous faculty members developed. Soon after this development, the director of the Engineering School, A.S. Tombalakian, was relieved of his duties as director. However, he remained as a professor.

The manner in which A.S. Tombalakian was dismissed as director created an atmosphere of resentment and confusion within the School at that time. Court action ensued and, for this reason, the University president, H.M. Best, and the administration refused to divulge any reasons for their action. This further confused the students and created an

atmosphere of uncertainty concerning the School's future.

This certainly must have influenced two of the top students (academically), in the second year mining programme. They decided to transfer to Queen's University after the completion of the year.

The remaining students, myself included, decided to stick it out at Laurentian. It was our hope, then, that the problems would be ironed out and the Mining and Mineral Processing Schools would continue with minimal growing pains.

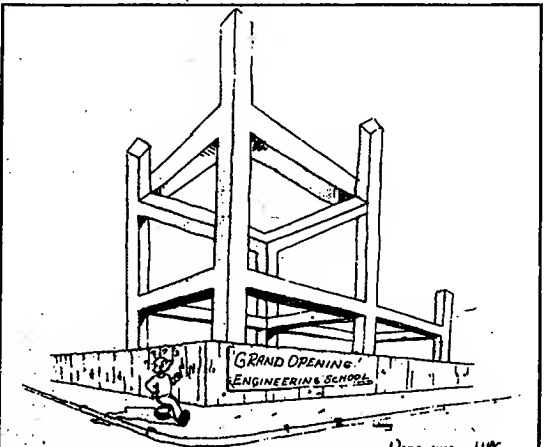
A new director, J.C. Wilson, was hired before the start of the 1978-79 winter session. It was hoped that an impartial outsider with an excellent background in industry would be able to settle the existing problems and get the School on track once again.

However, conflicts between

students and some of the faculty members began to develop, and old conflicts within the faculty factions worsened. In general, the students weren't satisfied with the new programme and the faculty wasn't functioning properly due to an increasing lack of co-operation. Before the semester's end one of the new faculty members in Mining announced his resignation, effective at the end of the summer session of 1979. This left only two full-time professors in the Mining programme.

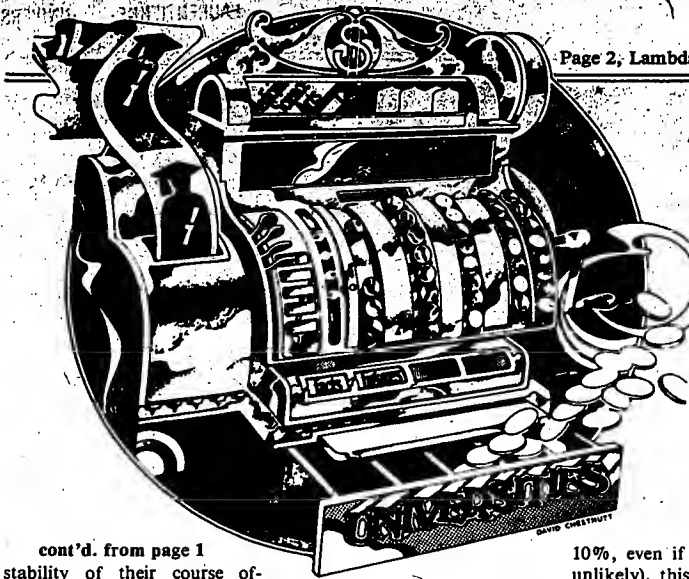
The 1979-80 winter session began much as the previous one had ended; in confusion. Professor A.S. Tombalakian had been dismissed by the University administration. This left the staff less two professors, as no new full-time appointments had been made. Of course, this

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# DECADE OF DEFICIT



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stability of their course offerings.

The smaller institutions, including Laurentian, are facing the horns of dilemma. If they chose the low fee option to keep current students and attract new ones, they will only add to their financial problems, most already carrying substantial deficits. If, on the other hand, they chose to charge higher fees, they will compete directly with the extensive and established course offerings of the larger universities, while not having the resources available to their more established counterparts. (at this point, the Laurentian administration is maintaining a "wait and see what the other guy does" attitude about which option will be chosen for next year's fees.)

## Still not Enough

Despite the announced revenue increases, universities are still going to be in financial trouble, particularly those al-

ready carrying deficits. In a statement released January 2nd, Edward J. Monahan, Executive Director of the Council of Ontario Universities, indicated that the increases will only slow the rate of deterioration within the province's universities.

"Although this 7.2% increase in the level of funding is a substantial improvement on the 4.9% increase for 1979-80," Monahan stated, "it is still below the projected rate of inflation of 11%."

"The increase in university revenues from government grants and increased tuition fees is expected to be 7.3%. However, this is still significantly below the increase of 9.2% recommended by the Ontario Council on University Affairs, the government's own advisory body.

"Although the universities have been given freedom to increase tuition fees by a further

10%, even if all did (which is unlikely), this would not close the gap of nearly \$20 million between what OCUA judges the universities need and what the government has granted.

"We face a further contraction in the Ontario universities which have suffered the effects of chronic underfunding since the early 1970's. The continuing shortfall is made more acute by the fact that first year enrolment figures are up 2% over last year's. We also note with disappointment that increases for other sectors announced to date by the government range between 8 and 10%."

## Holding the Line

Dr. Henry Best, Laurentian University President, told Lambda that he views the announced increases with "guarded enthusiasm". "The operating grant increase is a lot better than it was last year, but universities are still going to be a long way from breaking even. We're looking at an increase of

just over 7%, while the Ontario Council on University Affairs recommended 9.2%; 11% is probably closer to the increase that universities need if they want to break even."

Best said that the creation of autonomy for setting fees presents universities with a political nightmare. He stated that there will be an attempt at the meeting of the Council of Ontario Universities later this month to get all universities to establish a common fee increase. "Maybe we shouldn't raise tuition fees beyond the mandatory 7.5%, but I think that's unlikely. I don't think that raising it the full additional 10% is a good idea either; we're probably looking at an additional increase of between 3% and 5%."

Best feels the major diffi-

of an inability to raise money or student aid to make up the new increase.

## Pros vs. Artsles

Another factor in the announcement disliked by the OFS is that individual departments within each university will also have the option of increasing their fees beyond the mandatory 7.5%.

"This will tend to be exercised by departments with a high level of demand from students, particularly professional schools. Thus, we won't just be seeing competition between universities, we'll be seeing competition within universities. In the meantime, students will be the losers as financial concerns will become part of the considerations as to what course of studies to follow. As it stands now, many



Education Minister Bette Stephenson

# SCHOOL POORLY ENGINEERED

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caused some curriculum changes and some course shuffling. It also caused course overloads for the remaining faculty. In my opinion, this was detrimental to the quality of some of the courses affected. In November, Professor Tombalakian settled his differences with the administration out of court and he returned as a faculty member.

Soon after, director Wilson announced his resignation, effective at the end of the first semester. This leaves only one full-time associate professor in the Mining faculty at this time, and a further course overload for him. As a result, this professor will act as thesis supervisor for all of the fourth year Mining students and he will be handling almost all of the Mining courses. I must evoke an old saying, "variety is the spice of life", and obviously, having one professor for all of

your courses does not give you a very diversified education. These circumstances can only lead to a decline in the quality of the courses offered and the reputation of the School as well.

On paper the curricula for the new Mining and Mineral Processing programmes is very impressive. However, if an effective faculty doesn't exist to compliment that curricula, the resulting education implied by that curricula isn't quite as impressive.

These past and present events have now caused open hostility among students and faculty members. I fear that if the present conditions and atmosphere remain unchanged there could be some serious incidents involving students and professors. This leads me to ask, has irrevocable damage already been done and who has the power to repair and rebuild the school?

It seems to me that the

University's procedures hinder sound direction in times of conflict. This makes me strongly doubt that these, "highly qualified" professors will ever be able to work together in harmony. The present disharmony was responsible for the disbanding of the School of Engineering's academic council. A majority of the professors voted to disband the council, because they believed nothing constructive was coming out of the bickering and shouting matches at the meetings. It seems that these democratic processes don't work very well in an atmosphere of non-cooperation. It is this very non-cooperation, kindled by opinionated men with uncompromising attitudes, that may lead to the eventual-collapse of the new Mining and Mineral Processing programmes and, perhaps, the whole Engineering School.

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culty in obtaining a common increase will come from Ontario's three largest universities, Queen's, the University of Western Ontario and the University of Toronto. "Their student populations and resources are so large that they can afford to do whatever they want with fee autonomy, knowing that the other universities will have a hard time competing. If they don't agree to a common fee increase, then the universities will probably be looking at everybody for themselves."

Best suggested that the issue of fee autonomy is at least partially a political ploy from the government. "The government will be able to say that universities obviously don't need the funding increases they've been calling for if we don't exercise the full optional 10% increase." The government has disregarded that fact that universities will lose the \$725 tuition amount from students who can't afford an additional increase of over \$100; universities will have to find seven new students to make up the difference for every student who drops out because

professional school students face financial pressures when they take courses of more than four year duration, as they are eligible for government grants for only four years."

## On the Front Lines

The Ontario Federation of Students, who has been opposing fee increases at the provincial level thus far, will be falling back to the grass-roots institutional level. "We can't do much about the mandatory increase at this point," noted McKillop, "so we'll be working with student councils to get the individual universities to avoid increases above the mandatory level. We'll probably have some support from a lot of university administrations, who are opposed to the concept of fee autonomy."

Dr. Best believes that a campaign against tuition fee increases probably won't hurt the government. "Rightly or wrongly, a large part of the Ontario population believes that university students should pay larger tuition fees. They were probably counting on this when they came up with the funding announcement."



# NURSING PROGRAM UPGRADED

by James Weaver

Amidst rumblings about the future of the nursing profession, the diploma program in nursing is being upgraded and intensified. The diploma program (taught in Sudbury by Cambrian College) will now have increased requirements for clinical training; the baccalaureate program (taught in Sudbury by Laurentian University) will remain unchanged.

The diploma program will continue to be two years in duration (the baccalaureate program takes four) but will require a twenty-five per cent increase in the time spent with on-the-job training. This involves going from the current minimum of 1200 hours in hospital and clinical pre-graduate experience to 1625 hours. The upgrading will include at least fourteen continuous weeks of pre-graduate experience in hospitals, of which at least six weeks must be spent in the medical-surgical unit of a ge-

neral hospital.

The change in the diploma program is in line with current consideration of changes within the two levels of registered nursing in Ontario. The dip-



loma program, originally a three year course, was dropped to two years when the province's hospitals were experiencing a shortage of qualified nurses. The major distinction between the diploma and

baccalaureate programs are that the former is geared towards producing personnel specifically for the requirements of hospitals and clinics. The baccalaureate program provides a heavier concentration on the theories of nursing. Of particular importance is the additional instruction given by the baccalaureate program in assessment, the recognition and description of a patient's symptoms prior to the diagnosis of a disease or injury and the assignment of a curative program. (Only doctors are permitted to diagnose and treat diseases.)

The heavier concentration on theory and assessment has meant that only those who have been through the baccalaureate program are capable of working for public health institutions. With the health industry currently emphasizing the importance of preventative medicine (and the public health institutions that promote that type of health program), there seems to

be a greater need for the baccalaureate style of nursing.

As well, a surplus of diploma trained nurses and cut-backs at the hospital level has decreased the need for people trained specifically in intensive and active care procedures.

This, in the short term, has led to the increase in requirements for those entering the nursing profession at the diploma level. In the long run, many involved with planning the nursing profession believe it desirable to amalgamate the diploma and baccalaureate programs. They hope this will avoid trapping people in a part

of the profession that is experiencing a de-emphasis.

Such a merger will take a long time in implementation. There is no desire to make graduates of the diploma program obsolete in the near future. A lot of work is also needed to determine the type of program required to train the all-round nurse.

The intensification of the diploma program requirements can be seen as a step in the redesign of nursing in Ontario. In the short term, it can certainly be viewed as providing a higher calibre of nurses for the province's hospitals.

## LU WITHOUT VP

by James Weaver

Laurentian University is operating without a Vice-President Administration, the person just below President who is directly responsible for all non-academic affairs at the institution. Previous V-P Admin. T.L. Hennessy left the university for a post with the Regional Government at the beginning of this month, and the university administration has thus far failed to come up with a replacement.

Laurentian President Dr. Henry Best said that the Search Committee looking for a new Vice-President has met twice this far to consider applications for a replacement. To this point, the Committee has thinned out the number of applic-

ants, but has yet to come up with a candidate or candidates to submit for approval. It seems unlikely that a replacement will be found in the near future.

Best told Lambda that the Vice-Presidential role is currently being filled by a committee of the Director of Personnel, the Comptroller and the Director of Physical Plant. Best also said that he has assumed some of the vice-presidential responsibilities but doesn't really have the time to adequately fill the role, even on an interim basis.

The university administration hopes to have a new Vice-President by the end of this term, according to Best, but will have to wait the decision of the Search Committee before anything more concrete can be

reported.

Best says he is in favour of moving someone from within the university up to the post, if there is a qualified internal applicant. "That would show there is a possibility of career advancement within Laurentian, while also lending Laurentian experience to one of the most important positions in the administration."

As capital expenditures and construction are unlikely in Laurentian's future, the most important qualifications for a new Vice-President will be experience and ability in the areas of administration and finance. "A little experience in public relations wouldn't hurt either," Best noted.

### Break into the 80's with the S.G.A. Winter Carnival

Yes, ladies and gents, it's that time of year again! Rain or shine, sleet or snow (which finally decided to arrive), the carnival will go on.

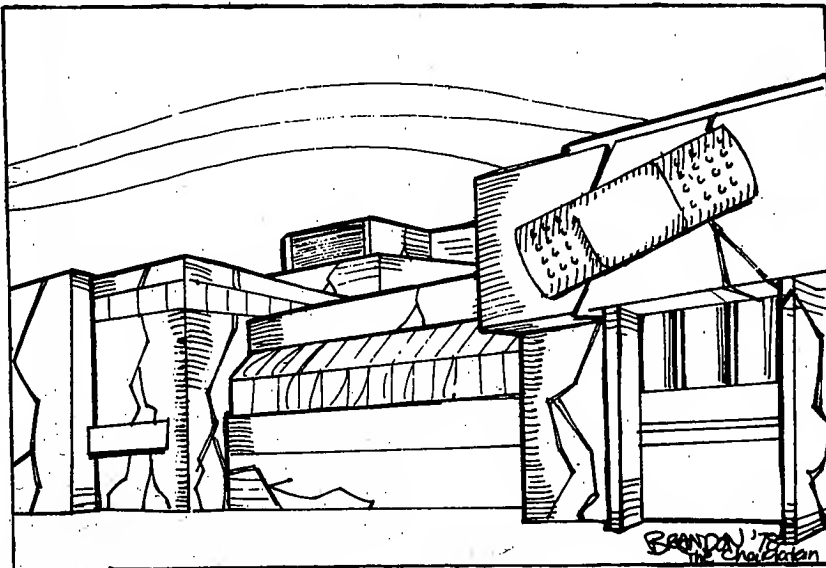
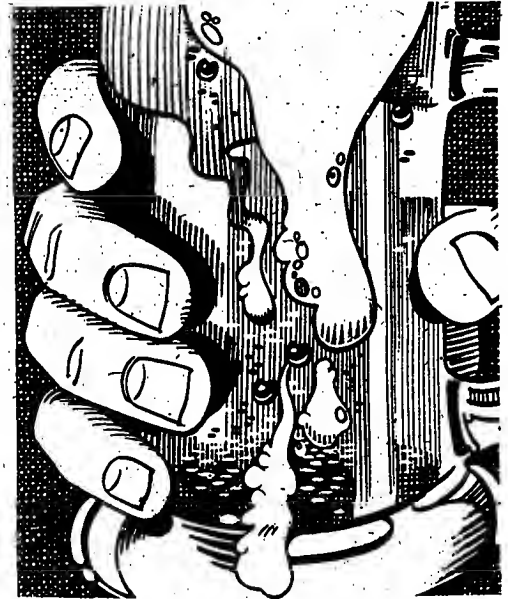
For the last few months, the Winter Carnival Committee, notably composed of a number of outrageous lunatics, has been taxing its tiny brain cells and has come up with a bag full of carny delights sure to tickle everyone's fanny!

The Carnival, spanning from January 25th thru February 2nd, will feature, among other things, Percy and the Tear Drops, MacLean & MacLean and Doc Savage.

Of course, room was made for traditional events such as the Gong Show, the Bierfest and the Ball Hockey Tournament. Tune in next week for a complete list and rundown of all the events.

Entries for events will start the week of January 14th.

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## COLD COMFORT

Through mists of outrage, one can almost admire the political gall of the Ontario government with its announcement of funding and tuition policies for next year. Since last September, people have been waiting for Education/College & Universities Minister Bette Stephenson to announce the policy. New Year's Eve was the time chosen to release the information.

It isn't too hard to understand why the government chose that bizarre time of year to declare its intentions; New Year's is a time when both students and journalists are acquiring and/or working off a hangover. The students aren't on campus, thus eliminating the opportunity for any immediate response to the policy. Most news media either don't publish or publish at a reduced level on New Year's Day, thus ensuring that any media coverage of the announcement is blunted by a lack of immediacy.

The rationale behind this timing is also fairly obvious; rumours abound about a provincial election sometime in the next six months. Opposition parties are reportedly chomping at the bit, sensing that the Tories are in electoral trouble. In an environment of hospital cutbacks, school closings and a deteriorating health insurance scheme, along with bounding inflation and increasing unemployment, the opposition seems convinced that Ontario's citizens no longer see the Tories as the business-like managers they once were.

Ontario's major newspapers have had a major role to play in all this. The *Globe and Mail* and the *Toronto Star* have both gone on the record a number of times stating that the government is mismanaging the province's educational system. Similar things are also being said about Ontario's health and social welfare systems.

Thus, the government needs another policy decision for opponents to hurl harpoons at like it needs another hole in its alleged head. One comes to the inevitable conclusion that the government chose an inopportune moment to announce drastic policy changes solely for political expediency.

Political gamesmanship dealing with education has become a rule of thumb with the current provincial government. For over the past year, an all-party legislative committee has been examining a proposal to amalgamate the Ministry of Colleges and Universities with the Ministry of Education. While prepared to recommend this policy in principle, this committee wished to bring their report into the legislature to debate the province's educational policies for the future.

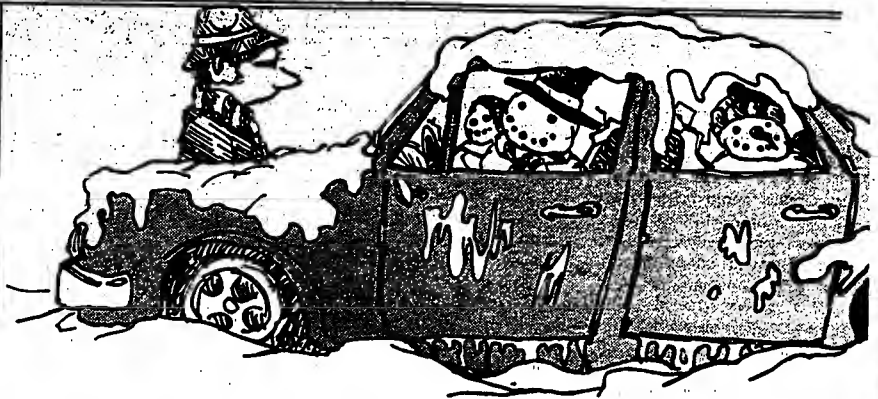
This was apparently the last thing the government wanted. Education/Colleges & Universities Minister Bette Stephenson (she wears both hats) went to the provincial Justice Committee and got it to approve the merger. Hence, this rather delicate policy matter will never see the provincial legislature, will never see extensive discussion or debate, and will never see anything close to democratic due process.

Unfortunately, the educational system is the one provincial concern that needs consideration more than virtually any other. Educational institutions have been the victims of provincial cutbacks since 1971; others only since 1976 or later. Despite a continued growth in the age group that normally enters post-secondary education (expected to continue until 1983-84), the numbers of students going to universities and colleges is declining steadily. The Ontario Council on University Affairs, the government's own advisory body, states that, unless funding for universities increases drastically, the entire system will collapse on or around 1985.

Bleakly, the government's funding announcement falls far short of what universities need just to break even on current operations, let alone defray deficits. Universities have been forced to cut back on services and resources for nearly a decade; almost no one can pretend that there is any fat anywhere that can be trimmed to prevent collapse: not the universities, nor the civil servants, nor the student awards officers, nor the newspapers, nor the students, nor the government's own advisors and policy makers. No one save Tory politicians say anything other than the fact that Ontario's educational system is in a state of disaster.

Yet, rather than bring the educational problem to the public and the legislature to decide what to do with education, the government has chosen to avoid the whole nasty mess. If the government can make it through this year, one waits with breathless anticipation for the surprises to be unleashed on New Year's, 1981.

James Weaver



## SNOW FALLS ON SNOBURY

### End to the Innocents

by Alex McGregor

The new decade was ushered in by a disgraceful display of rebellion at Thorneoloe College. The corridors were littered by the bodies of the Thorneoloe Thunderbirds staging a sit in.

"What is the matter, my beloved Thunderbirds, that you should stage this unseemly demonstration within the hallowed precincts of George Thorneoloe's mansion?"

"O mighty, puissant, noble, dignified and modest Dean," spake Randy of Manitoulin, Stringer "thou hast lured us to Thorneoloe under the vilest and worst of false pretences and subterfuges."

"Silence O peasant varlet, thou offscouring of a Panamanian registered freighter. Have I not given thee and all of my beloved Thunderbirds, a single room, a sauna, microwave ovens, and the likes of the sparkling Diane Lentric, the curvaceous Cordula Rubin, the evanescent Carol Guscott to gaze upon?" I thundered.

"All this and more O mighty Dean hast thou vouchsafed to us. Thou has also given us the finest social centre, the greatest social life, and an ambience that is the envy of all universities and colleges in this Dominion, and in Tehran too," spake Doug Moss the oldest, the noblest and the wisest of the Thorneolovians.

"Then, why, O why, my beloved Thunderbirds dost thou complain so bitterly at what fate has thrust upon thee?"

"Fate, O terrible Fate has overpowered us," muttered Gordon Boog Powell of Sault Ste Marie.

"Indeed," quoth Royal Senter of Manotick, "thou didst not inform us that we would be thrown out on the ice to face the wrath of the fractious Fighting Stars under the aegis of Tim, the terror of property lines, Moyle."

"Yea, verily" spake both Nannes from the Sault "the Fighting Stars are so mighty, so terrible, so dreadful that we poor Thorneolovians quake at

the mention of their names. Who will save us from the wrath of Dave Webb, the Bee of Bob Butkos and the lariat of Tim Larry?"

"Hell no we won't go, to face the pugnacious Stellae of the Stupified Senile Republic" screamed Dave Lee, Mike Deschene, Rick Caldwell, Bruce Holtby in unison and in the corridor.

Stern situations require desperate measures. Therefore, I instantly threatened my beloved Thunderbirds. "If you don't go, I will cease to read you your bedtime story from 'Memorable Sermons by Ludo Winckel'."

"Terrible, terrible fate - to be deprived thus, but we will still not face the Fighting Stars" declaimed Don Bell.

Foiled, I reached for my ultimate weapon. "If thou don't face the Ferocious Fighting Stars, I will read to you from the 'Wit and Wisdom of

Reverend Father Doug Joblin'."

There was a scream. "O wicked and unconscionable Dean, thou art the cruellest of men. You have forced us to face the Fighting Stars. Rather than listen to the wit and wisdom of Father Joblin, we will face the bloodthirsty Stars. We go to our collective dooms," spake Rod Fuller.

I chortled. Thus, have we, the old, tricked the young into facing hopeless odds. My beloved, innocent Thorneolovians do not know that there is no 'Wit and Wisdom of Doug Joblin' listed anywhere in any card catalogue. Age and vice once more have conquered over innocence and love.

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# HOW TO PLAY THE HIRING GAME

by Ken Dionne

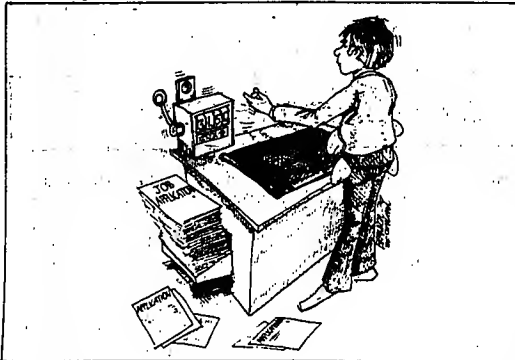
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Jan. 17	10:30 to 12:30	Thurs.	Job Search Techniques	English
Jan. 18	2:00 to 4:00	Fri.	Job Search Techniques	English
Jan. 24	3:00 to 4:00	Thurs.	Resume Workshop	English
Jan. 25	3:00 to 4:00	Fri.	Resume Workshop	French
Feb. 7	3:00 to 4:00	Thurs.	Resume Workshop	French
Feb. 8	3:00 to 4:00	Fri.	Resume Workshop	English
Feb. 28	10:30 to 12:30	Thurs.	Job Search Techniques	French
Feb. 29	2:00 to 4:00	Fri.	Job Search Techniques	French
March 6	3:00 to 4:00	Thurs.	Resume Workshop	French
March 18	10:30 to 12:30	Tues.	Job Search Techniques	English
March 19	2:00 to 4:00	Wed.	Job Search Techniques	English
March 27	3:00 to 4:00	Thurs.	Resume Workshop	English
March 28	3:00 to 4:00	Fri.	Resume Workshop	French
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that job, for example, discovered that I very much enjoy dealing with the public, learned how to handle complaints successfully, learned to understand the basics of retail merchandising, etc.

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someone who wants to see if their present resume can be improved. These workshops will be held right in our office and will be quite informal, responding directly to the needs and questions of those attending. Feel free to drop in at any of these workshops which will be held in either English or French as indicated on the schedule.

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RESUME WRITING. We will show you how to put your best foot forward and how to get full mileage out of whatever work experience you may have. For example, many resume writers will say they had a job as a salesclerk, but possibly forget to mention that they were responsible for putting away the cash or responsible for replenishing inventory, which means that they are familiar with an inventory system including inventory control. They may omit to mention what they got out of

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riding.

If you wish to vote this time around at your home riding, you can do so as per usual on February 18th (assuming that you've been enumerated there; if not, contact either the Returning Officer in Nickel Belt or in your home riding).

If February 18th presents a problem, you can also vote at an advance poll in the riding to be held on February 9th, 11th and 12th. Again, check with the local C.R.O. for the location of the advance poll.

If you can't make it home on any of those days, you can still vote in that riding by casting your ballot in the office of the local Returning Officer from February 4th to 8th, inclusive, or from February 13th to February 15th, inclusive.

If none of the above remedies are suited to your needs but you still insist on voting in your home riding, you (as a student) can vote in your home riding by proxy. To do so, you obtain a proxy form for students from the office of any Returning

Officer. You then fill out that form, indicating whom you wish to cast your ballot for you. This form must be delivered by yourself or your proxy to the office of the Returning Officer in the riding where you wish to participate no later than the Friday before the regular election day.

...or Vote Here

If the above procedures sound like a bit of a nuisance, you can also have yourself enumerated in the Nickel Belt riding. The theory behind this holds that you've changed your "ordinary residence" since last May. As most residence students live on campus for eight months of the year, it is safe to say that one's university residence is one's "ordinary residence".

If you are already enumerated in Nickel Belt, you should soon receive a card indicating as much in the mail (it will also tell you where to vote, probably on Student Street).

If you don't get one of those cards, get down to the Returning Officer at the Cloak Room

on January 17th. All you have to do is fill out a form saying you live here, that you are a Canadian citizen, and that you are over 18 years of age. You are then listed as a Nickel Belt elector.

This is one of those times when one can appreciate the advantage of being a non-resident student; you're probably already enumerated where you live and won't have to undergo this rigamarole.

One Other Possibility

A number of Laurentian students may not have been enumerated at all during the last election, either because they weren't Canadian citizens, because they weren't living in Canada at the time, or because they turned eighteen only after the election. In that case, you will have to get enumerated to vote; either in your home riding or here in Nickel Belt. The procedures are as indicated above.

Remember: when in doubt, go and see the Returning Officer in the Cloak Room on January 17th.

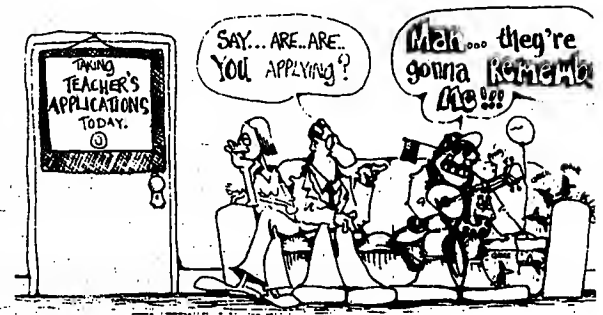
it until asked "What are your long term career objectives?" or "Why do you feel we should hire you for this job?" or "What minimum salary would you be willing to accept?". Other items related to the interview may include proper dress. A good rule of thumb: always dress for the interview as you would dress if you were doing the job. This usually applies to office jobs and not necessarily to lifeguards or underground labourers.

RESUME WORKSHOPS on the other hand are useful for the person who has written a rough draft of their resume or

across campus later on this week, giving the location of the Job Search Techniques Seminars. All Schools and Departments will also receive a copy of the poster.

Your Canada Employment Centre on Campus, normally referred to as the CEC-OC, is located in the Single Students Residence at G-3 Student Street. The Placement Officer, Ken Dionne, and his able assistant, Joanne Chevrier, will be pleased to assist you with any of your employment needs.

Please retain the schedule of upcoming seminars and workshops as a handy reference.



# An Insomniac's Political Bedlam Wakeful Nightmare

1979

Liberté  
Egalité  
Fraternité

Now that France has embarked on the same  
neutron bomb lethal car  
As the Americans! Hand in hand, let  
Them give the already overnuclearized  
World the kiss of death in some  
Nuke-infested, discotic bar!!!

BY DANIEL RHEAUME



Nukes, you Nukes,  
When the world dies of radiation  
It won't be due to flukes  
Of any insane nuclear proliferation!!!

50,000 Canadian lakes  
and 5,000 Swedish ones will die  
[or/and already have!] from acid rain  
while the industrial mambas  
will dance terminally carcinogenic  
and starvation's slowed-down  
sambas



God! Come very soon, because  
Today's placid ass of  
Balaam will tomorrow be publicly whipped  
by some P.L.O. Rimbalddian assassin.  
The Star of David  
Still shall stand despite the blood red  
Lunar crescent of Mahometanism crashing!  
This International Year  
of the Child has seen the ignoble infanticide  
of putrid pol pot perpetrated  
Massacre of the Holy Innocent  
incarnated  
In the below five-year-old victims  
of malnutrition numbering  
four million, including  
their parents in the horrendous  
underrated Cambodian genocides  
which contradicts the media's  
much better coverage  
of last decade's Biafran  
carnage.  
Skorpio's sudden sting kills Bokassa [French Revenge]  
to some Indochinese president.  
Khomeini's Islamized killers  
and student hostage takers  
are not better than Savak's brutalized  
supporting the Shah's autocratic power  
Why must such bloody revolutions  
lead to such savage counter-revolution  
which only perpetuated  
another similar nationally repressive state????

## The Phallic Symbol Murder

Editor's Note: In the weeks to come, a very peculiar series of very short comedy sketches will grace these humble pages. These are the adventures of Dr. D., Space Cadet. They come from the pen of a new addition to our stable, one John Trelawney. Mr Trelawney is a transfer from R.D. Knox College, Manchester England.



by John Trelawney

"Who was dis bum?" asked Dr. D. with very little concern over the horribly mutilated corpse that lay at her feet.

The police officer informed her, evidently awed by the marvelous physique of Dr. D., that the murdered girl was a student of English who had failed to report for an appoint-

ment with one of her professors. One Professor Scholl.

"Vell, Professor Scholl, vy did you wait till today to inform ze police about ze missing student?"

"I - I - I - guess that - um - I forgot."

Dr. D. stood up from her chair and lean-walked across the room. She studied a sculpture that sat in Scholl's window. "Marvellous work. Simply marvellous. Expressionist, yes?"

"Uh - it's a - um - dildo actually."

"Marvellous. And these little red flecks all over ze base?"

"Uh - well - that's a difficult question that involves a - um - a background in - um - epic dildo construction," said Dr. Scholl, flicking back his hair.

"No go Scholl: I know your work. It is sloppy. I vill check my files, but I know ze answer already. You are ze murderer!" Triumphant Dr. D. stabbed at Scholl with her cigarette holder. Then, "Peopel! Come, peopel!"

Several uniformed police officers swarmed over the feebly protesting Dr. Scholl and carted him away.

Later, two detectives queried Dr. D. about the case. "But why? Why did he kill the girl?"

asked one.

"Surely you jest," replied Dr. D. "To think that you wasted my talents on such a trivial case. Come, now, think man!" Helplessly the detective shook his head. "Very well, then. You recall that I sat in on an interrogation of ze murdered girl's friends. Vell, it was simple. Ze girl had declined to attend

one of Scholl's parties. In fact, and I think you need a gloss here, ze victim had failed to go to any of Scholl's parties for his students. Rejection. Classic male reaction to rejection."

So saying, Dr. D. raised her arms, extended her cloak out wide, activated her Space Cadet booster boots, and soared out of The detectives' window,

waiting for yet another call to the battle against evil and anti-feminism.

"Curious cigarette holder, eh?" said one detective.

"Yeah, kind of shaped like a - uh -"

"Yeah. Well, that closes the books on the Phallic Symbol Murder."

"Yeah."



# ENGINEERS SHOULD SEEK ALTERNATIVES

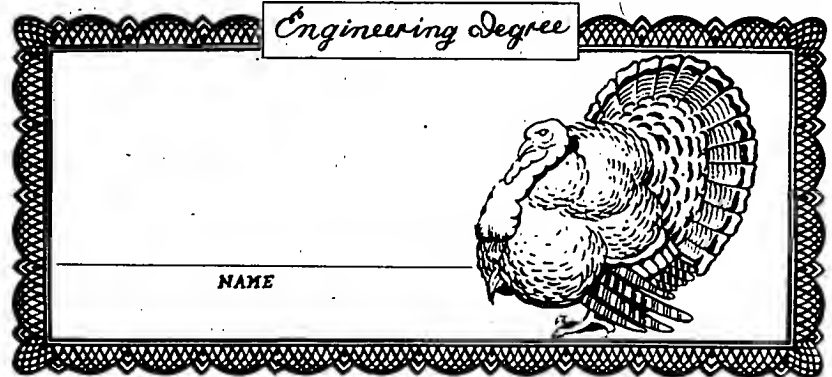
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Some of the top students in the Mining programme have already left Laurentian for greener pastures at other, more established University Mining programmes. I have personally recommended to my friends in the first and second year programmes, that they apply at other universities next year. This action will give them an alternative if they don't see any improvements in the Engineering School at Laurentian.

Transferring is a very serious decision to make for most students, for various reasons. Let me point out that under the new OSAP (Ontario Student Assistance Program) regulations, undergraduate students

are entitled to only four years of financial assistance from the province, if eligible. Thus students who lose a year when transferring due to course description differences or university regulations may find it very difficult to finance the resulting fifth year of their education, without OSAP assistance. Many students are Sudbury residents and it is much more convenient for them to live at home while attending university. For these and other reasons it is usually very inconvenient to have to transfer.

This brings me to the point of this article. I would like very much to see the new Mining and Mineral Processing programs become superlative and success-



## V-Ball Tourney at LU

by Mike Laffeur  
and Ron Greasley

For the first time in recent sport history at Laurentian University, our women's volleyball team will be hosting an invitational tournament this weekend, Jan. 12th and 13th.

Teams from Orillia, North Bay, Sault Ste. Marie, and the Sudbury district will battle our own ladies for the title of this first ever classic!

Action begins at 9:00 a.m. through to 7:30 p.m. Sat. Jan. 12th and resumes Sun. Jan. 13th at 9:00 a.m.

The Consolation final is set for 12:30 p.m. and the championship match will go at 2:00 p.m. All games will be played at the Ben Avery Gym with our own team playing at the following times: 9:00 a.m. Saturday, 12:00 a.m. Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Saturday and 9:00 a.m. Sunday. No admission will be charged.

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your Lady Vees in their efforts to capture the unofficial crown of northern champions.



ful. However, barring a miracle, I presently don't believe this is going to occur in the near future.

One faculty member is leaving at the term's end and it is rumoured that two more are 95 per cent sure of leaving as well. If this occurs, it will leave a large void in an already critically short staff. There is talk about finding a new director and new staff members, but surely a qualified person with any common sense wouldn't risk their present career for a position on such an unstable faculty.

The net result of the aforementioned problems is that

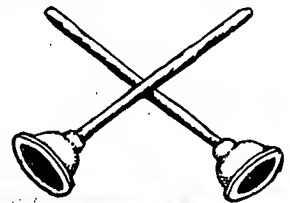
everyone loses, not only the students. If the school folds the remaining faculty members lose their jobs and the community loses an educational service it deserves.

In the past, any problems were swept under the carpet and the students were kept uninformed. Now these problems have compounded and it is impossible to keep them hidden from the students.

In conclusion I will relate a sequence from President Best's address to the Engineering students.

President Best was asked by a student if there would be any objection if a letter explaining

the events in the Engineering School was sent to the Sudbury Star. Best replied, "You better be careful whose throat you're cutting". To which a student in the group replied, "Our throats are getting red already!" I believe this very well illustrates the feelings of many of the Engineering students.



## Gnip gnop, gnip gnop

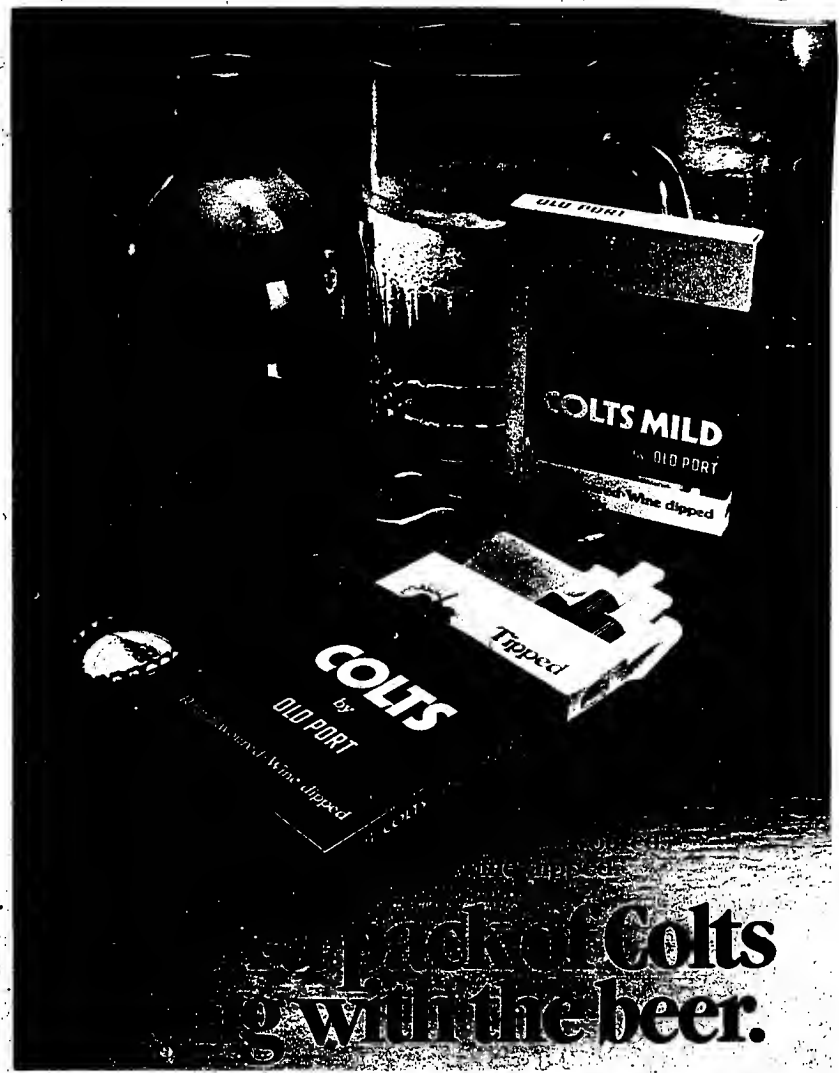
Sudbury entries took three and North Bay entries two of the five titles at stake in the Northern Ontario Closed Table Tennis Championships at Laurentian University Teachers Training College on Sunday Dec. 9, 1979.

In spite of the heavy snow, some 35 competitors turned up and of these as many as 25 took part in the Men's Singles.

William Chen of Sudbury won the 18 and Under Men's Singles with Christ Chen (Sud.) second, M. Donnelly (North Bay) third and M. Ryan (Capreol) fourth. Allison Pilgrim of North Bay was the Ladies Singles winner with Diane Couture (N.B.) second and Kathy Eng (N.B.) third. Bob Boudreau (N.B.) and Diane Couture (N.B.) won first honours in Mixed Doubles with M. Donnelly (N.B.) and Allison Pilgrim (N.B.) second and Greg Wong (N.B.) and Kathy Eng (N.B.) third. Men's Doubles honours went to William Chan (Sud) and

Christ Chan (Sud.) with Professor Chau (Laurentian University) and Greg Wong (N.B.) second, Dr. K. C. Chan (Sud) and Joe Biesiada (Sud) third and Bob Boudreau (N.B.) and M. Donnelly (N.B.) fourth. Professor Chau of Laurentian University won the Men's Singles award and for a third consecutive time. The youngest player was Paul Fitzgerald who is 11 years old.

The organizer wishes to thank the principals of Lockerby Secondary School, St. Frances Secondary School and the President of the Laurentian University Students' Association for lending him the tables; Laurentian University and the Teachers Training College for allowing him to use the gymnasium and all the media that helped, in one way or another, to make the championships known to the public. Without this help, the championships would not have been possible.





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## Grumble, Grumble

This is to advise the members of the Laurentian University community that there is an established Food Services Committee on campus which meets on a regular basis.

The members of the Food Services Committee are:

Administrative Association	- Pauline Barbeau (351)
Faculty Association	- Professor A.Q. Zia (605)
Support Staff Association	- vacant
S.G.A.	- Ron Horne (522-0501)
A.E.F.	- Maurice Lapointe (571)
Thorneloe College	- Alex McGregor (380)
SAGA Foods	- George Brown (285)
A.L.P.S.	- vacant

If you have any complaints or suggestions regarding Food Services, please attempt to solve any problems in the following manner:

1. Approach Mr. George Brown, the Manager of Saga Foods, directly. Clearly explain your dissatisfaction and try to come to a mutually satisfactory solution.
2. The next step would be to approach your representative on the Food Services Committee. Your representative should attempt to solve the matter. If a solution is not possible, that representative will take your case to the Committee.
3. Finally, if a solution is not possible, contact the Director of Services.

**OTTAWA [CUP]** - Carleton University's chemistry department won't jump on the bandwagon to "ban benzene" from its laboratories.

The toxic chemical was recently banned at the University of Winnipeg after the student newspaper *The Uniter*

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## Benzene Strikes Again

published reports linking benzene with tumors of the lymph glands and leukemia. Student pressure on the department was responsible for the banning, said chemistry chairman Fred Barth.

Donald Wiles, chairman of the Carleton chemistry department, said "prolonged exposure to benzene, or any other toxic chemical" is dangerous and can be linked to cancer. But, Wiles said, people don't realize all substances in our environment are toxic and we're exposed to them all the time.

"The worry over hazardous chemicals in university laboratories is the wrong focus," he said. "The air we breathe is toxic; the milk we drink is poisonous; the cars we drive are lethal. Smoking cigarettes will kill you a hell of a lot faster than benzene ever will."

The World Health Organization estimates 90 per cent of human cancers are caused by chemicals. Wiles claims laboratories are the safest environments in which to be exposed to

toxic chemicals which "ordinarily float freely everywhere else".

He cited Carleton's labs where the air is exchanged 15 times an hour, toxic experiments are done under fume-hoods, and special steel containers store the highly-flammable benzene as examples of safety precautions.

"Carleton students are safe," said Wiles. "You won't smell any benzene in here".

Second and third year organic chemistry students use benzene extensively in their labs, Wiles said, while freshmen classes use small amounts of the chemical (about 50 millilitres) in chromatography experiments.

Student Mike Price, who did the first-year chromatography lab recently, said his class was warned that "benzene was highly volatile and to store it under the fume-hood when not using it". He didn't know benzene might be carcinogenic, but he did know breathing the vapors directly "could make you high".

But nobody left the lab with a smile on their face, he said. Only a small amount of benzene was used, and it was kept

covered by a glass plate for all but a few moments when measurements were taken and most of the gas escaped. Price said there was no smell at all, although benzene usually has a strong, characteristic odor.

All chemistry students questioned said they weren't aware benzene was considered a carcinogenic chemical; most wanted to know if the link between benzene and lymphoma cancer of the lymph glands had been proven.

"Students are taught to consider all chemicals as toxic substances," said Wiles. "We won't be taking benzene out of the labs just because somebody else did. It's a matter of using small amounts of the chemical while taking commonsense safety precautions."

Wiles, who is also chairman of the university safety committee said benzene is used as a solvent in everything from paints, to lacquers, fiberglass and airplane glue. Workers in these industries have a higher incidence of lymph cancers than chemists in labs, he said. Benzene can be inhaled or absorbed through the skin.



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## Curtain Call

On January 16th at 7:00 p.m. we at Thorneloe Players are having a general meeting and wine and cheese party at Thorneloe Social Centre to celebrate the new year and the progress of Ibsen's "Doll's House" as well as to discuss

future plans (variety night and other possibilities). For those of you who are not involved yet, but would still like to be, come on out, we still have room for you.

Hope to see you Wednesday night. **Brendan Stapleton**

## A Month at MUSAC

**EQUIPMENT FOR ETERNITY - EGYPTIAN ARTS AND CRAFTS OF THE NEW KINGDOM 1570 - 1805 B.C.**  
January 8 - 27, Gallery 1

This diverse collection of Egyptian artifacts was assembled and circulated by the Art Gallery of Ontario in conjunction with the Royal Ontario Museum.

The items include grave goods made of metal, stone, wood, glass, faience and pottery. They were used in the everyday life of the Egyptian noble, placed in his tomb for protection and to insure their use in the afterlife.

Included are miniature "Shawabty", replicas of workers, which guarantee service after death. Gallery Hours: Tuesdays and Fridays 12 noon - 9 p.m. Other Days 12 noon - 5 p.m. Closed Mondays. Mornings by appointment.

**TRANSPARENCY IN LINEN - DONALD BARTON**

January 8 - 27, 1980, Gallery 11

Donald Barton is a graduate of the Ontario College of Art. He is a resident of Sudbury and instructor of Textiles at Cambrian College. An instructor by day, Donald Barton's evenings are devoted to the pursuit of his expressions in tapestry.

Subtle combinations of colour and form are blended together in tapestries using

natural medias such as wool, linen and sweetgrass. Barton has exhibited extensively in Ontario and has executed private and public commissions in New York, Toronto and Sudbury.

### MEET THE ARTIST

Saturday, January 12, 1 - 4 p.m.

Donald Barton will be available to respond to any questions regarding his work. Coffee will be served.

**BRASS COMPANY** (Children's Event)

Sunday, January 20 at 2 p.m.

This company of three talented musicians is no stranger to Sudbury audiences. Last year's performance was a delight. The entertaining and educational demonstrations of the instruments as well as the wide variety of musical repertoire including Renaissance to 20th century folk music and "pop" tunes encourage young audience participation. The program is not to be missed by music buffs of all ages.

Admission is \$2.50 for non-members and \$2.00 for members. Tickets are available at the Centre on John Street. Due to the ticket demands for these performances it is advisable to pick them up in advance.

The performance is assisted by the Touring Arts Fund of the Ontario Arts Council and presented through Prologue to the Performing Arts.

**NOTE:** The Museum will be closed one hour prior to the performance to allow for preparations.

### AFTERNOON FILM SERIES: ART AND ETHNOGRAPHIC FILMS

Thursdays, 1:15 p.m.

January 10: ALASKA SPEAKS

The plight of a people in difficulty. THE AMAZON: PEOPLE AND RESOURCES OF NORTHERN BRAZIL - Typical family scenes illustrate the ways these people gain a living. THE AFRICAN COMMUNITY: THE MASAI - shows how the nomadic Masai live and their tribal interdependence.

January 17: I DON'T HAVE TO WORK THAT BIG - A look at the life and work of Saskatchewan sculptor Joe Fafard. UP IS DOWN - an animated fable about a child who sees things differently.

January 24: DESERT PEOPLE - An examination of three diverse cultures in similar geographic environments. ISLAND PEOPLE - A contrast in culture between the inhabitants of an East African Island and a Venezuelan Island.

January 31: IMPRESSIONISTS - The works of Monet, Manet, Pissarro, Sisley, Renoir and Degas. MONET - an excursion down the Seine with Monet views.

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